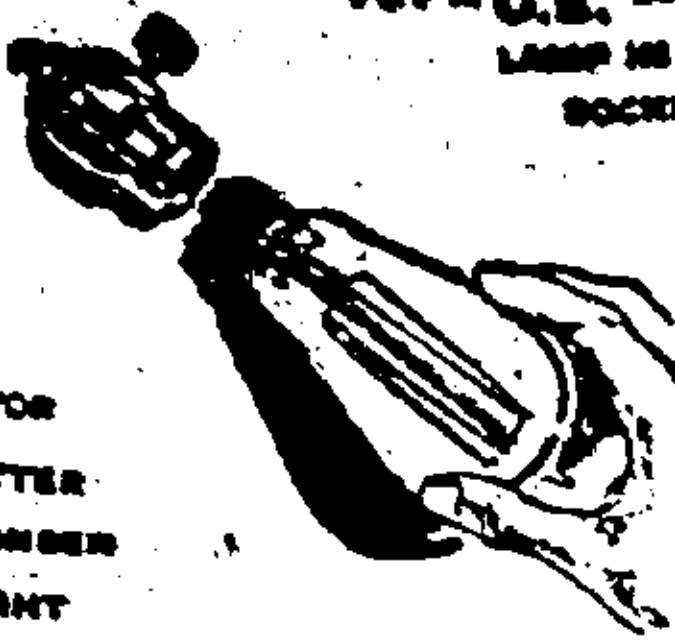


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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

HOW GERMANY LOST THE WAR.

LUDENDORFF'S ACCOUNT.

Berlin, April 4.
Printed extracts of General Ludendorff's account of the war admit that "the defeat sustained on August 8, 1918, finally destroyed the hope of military victory. I clearly informed the Crown Council on August 16th that the war could not be won."
General Ludendorff admits that he favoured immediate steps to peace in September. The Supreme Army Command wanted mediation by Holland. Furthermore, he informed the Chancellor that he regarded the Bolshevik danger very seriously.
The first and second German replies to President Wilson's notes were approved by the Army Command. After that, the War Minister advised that he could furnish within a measurable period another 500,000 men, whereupon General Ludendorff did not favour unconditional surrender. He expressed the opinion, as did Field Marshal von Hindenburg, that he could continue the war for some months.

DEVELOPMENT OF OVERSEAS TRADE.

MISSION TO THE FAR EAST.

London, April 5.
Sir Arthur Steel Maitland (head of the Commercial Intelligence Department), addressing the trade journalists yesterday, said that the Board of Trade was trying to establish a peace basis for industry, which was nearly as difficult and critical as war itself. The position was very serious because not merely were exports greatly reduced, but credit must be given to devastated countries in order to sell our goods to them. To get the maximum productivity, there should be an amalgamation of businesses.
He mentioned that a mission was going to the Far East in connection with the textile trade. Two or three representatives of Labour will accompany it.
The Board of Trade were looking at our foreign industries from three viewpoints, namely, sales of British goods abroad, the establishment of British enterprise abroad, and the securing of adequate supplies of raw materials.
New Commercial Attachés were a regular part of the Legations abroad, and they had a scheme for the whole reform of the Consular Service. Better salaries would be paid, and a great deal more than in the past would be expected in return. He appealed to the technical journals for closer co-operation and aid in the development of foreign trade.

SOCIALIST DEMONSTRATION IN PARIS.

INCENSED AT ACQUITTAL OF VILLAIN.

Paris, April 6.
The Socialists are incensed at the acquittal of Villain. They organised a demonstration in protest of the verdict and a respect to the memory of Jaurès. The procession, including M. Branting and M. Vandervelde, marched, singing the Internationale, up to the residence of Jaurès, where they presented a wreath to the latter's widow. Great crowds watched the demonstration, which was orderly, except when a group of anarchists displayed a black flag. The Police intervened and an affray ensued. Four or five policemen were injured.

BOLSHEVISM IN BULGARIA.

BRITISH TROOPS OCCUPY VARNA.

London, April 4.
A Paris telegram from Athens states that owing to an attempted Bolshevism movement at Varna by Socialists and extremists from Sofia, British troops have occupied Varna.
Martial law has been proclaimed and all the ringleaders will be court-martialled and severely punished.

AUSTRIAN ROYAL FAMILY.

EXCOMMUNICATED FOR EVER.

Copenhagen, April 5.
A message from Vienna says the German-Austrian National Assembly unanimously passed the Bill relating to the banishment of the Royal Family, as mentioned on March 27th.
A Bill has been passed abolishing capital punishment, except Martial Law sentences.

BELGIAN ANXIETIES REGARDING PEACE.

KING ALBERT SATISFIED.

Paris, April 5.
A Belgian communique states that King Albert has concluded his visit to Paris and left for Brussels by aeroplane. During his stay he communicated with the eminent members of the Allied and Associated Governments regarding Belgium's essential interests.
Anxiety had reigned in Belgium regarding the Peace Conference's attitude respecting Belgian interests. King Albert was afforded precise information on the principal points, and departed satisfied with his impressions.

FIGHTING IN STUTTGART.

SPARTACISTS V. GOVERNMENT TROOPS.

Copenhagen, April 5.
A message from Stuttgart says it is officially announced that a fight occurred on the evening of the 3rd instant with 400 Spartacists, who dug trenches on the hills between Gaisburg and Wangen and took positions. Ten machine-guns and artillery bombarded machine-gun bases.

SIR AUCKLAND GEDDES' NEW POST.

London, April 4.
Sir Auckland Geddes has resigned from the Ministry of Reconstruction and accepted the Principalship of McGill University, Canada.

PADEREWSKI IN PARIS.

Paris, April 6.
M. Paderewski and M. Noulens, the French representative of the Allied Mission in Poland, have arrived in Paris.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

NOT IN ACCORD WITH GERMAN CONCEPTION.

A PROTEST BY ERZBERGER.

Copenhagen, April 5.
A message from Berlin says that before Herr Erzberger signed the Spa agreement he declared that the Entente's interpretation of Article XVI in the Armistice of November 11, 1918, which the Allies contended enabled Polish troops to march via Danzig, was not in accord with the German Government's conception.
Marshal Foch promised Herr Erzberger that he would recommend the British shipping authorities to give freedom to German coastal shipping during the passage of the Poles through German territory. The agreement specifies the proposed new German transport routes and provides that should serious difficulties arise in transporting the Poles thereby, Marshal Foch reserves the right to revert to the transportation method provided under the aforementioned Article XVI. Transport begins on the 15th instant and lasts for two months.

MARSHAL FOCH'S RELENTLESS ATTITUDE RE DANZIG.

Paris, April 5.
The details of the Spa agreement show that Marshal Foch was particularly insistent in upholding the Allies' rights to land at Danzig, rejecting Herr Erzberger's counter-proposals on the subject. The alternative routes to Poland are, firstly, the railway to Coblenz, Cassel, Halle, Cöthen, and Kalisch; secondly, via Stettin; and thirdly, via Königsberg. Ten trains will be daily provided.

GERMANS AGREE TO DANZIG LANDING.

Berlin, April 4.
It is stated that Herr Erzberger at Spa on behalf of the Government offered to allow the landing of the Polish troops at Danzig, subject to special guarantees for their behaviour. Furthermore, Marshal Foch's reply to it was favourable.

SPA AGREEMENT THROUGH GERMAN EYES.

Copenhagen, April 5.
A message from Berlin says, to a report from the German Armistice Commission, the Spa agreement obviates the use of Danzig and arranges the use of other routes proposed by Germany.

SOLVING BRITAIN'S INDUSTRIAL PROBLEM.

A MOMENTOUS DECISION REACHED.

London, April 4.
The Industrial Conference mentioned on February 27 was resumed in London this morning. The miners' and transporters' federations not participating, to discuss the report of the Provisional Joint Committee cabled on March 25.
Sir R. Horne, presiding, anticipated that within comparatively few days the Peace Conference would reach a stage which would allow Mr. Lloyd George to return to England. (Cheers). Sir R. Horne read a letter from the Premier saying that he heartily approved of the Report and welcomed the spirit of co-operation therein demonstrated between the employers and workers.
A resolution moved by Mr. Arthur Henderson, which was carried by acclamation, welcomed the Report of the Provisional Joint Committee and agreed to submit it for the acceptance of constituent organisations immediately the Government legalised it. Mr. Henderson said giving effect to the Report would be an example to the whole world.
Sir Allan Smith, Chairman of the employers' representatives, seconding, said the employers would put the Report in operation in spirit as well as in letter. If the Trade Unionists did the same, there was no fear for the future of the nation.
Sir R. Horne said the Report was the most momentous document presented to the country for many years.

GERMANY TO PAY.

AN ESTIMATE OF INDEMNITY DEMANDED.

Paris, April 6.
Le Journal says the first instalment of the indemnity is to be 25 milliards of francs, of which five milliard francs will be in payment of raw materials necessary for the resumption of the economic existence of Germany.
France will receive 10 milliards, and Belgium five milliards of this instalment.
The rest of the indemnity will be spread over 35 years. The estimates of each annual payment will range from seven milliards to 15 milliards.

DISTURBANCES IN GERMANY.

UNREST IN BAVARIA.

Berlin, April 5.
The situation at Munich is reported to be very grave. There are many indications of renewed unrest throughout Bavaria. Trouble was expected on Tuesday on the occasion of the meeting of the Diet which the local Soviets refused to protect.

STRIKERS' RANKS BEING SWELLED.

Berlin, April 4.
The strike situation at Ruhr is graver and even critical. A further 21,000 men have struck. The metal strikers in Berlin have reached 55,000.

SPARTACIST STRIKERS ARRESTED.

Copenhagen, April 6.
A message from Stuttgart says a general strike of Spartacists collapsed. The leaders have been arrested. The Government controls the situation.
A message from Stanislan says the Soviet Army in Eastern Ukraine is surrendering to the Ukrainians in parties of hundreds.

REMOVING WOMEN'S DISABILITIES.

LABOUR PARTY'S NEW BILL.

London, April 4.
The House of Commons has unanimously agreed to the second reading of the Labour Party Bill abolishing all disabilities of women in respect of civil and judicial offices and conferring the franchise equally with men and enabling Peeresses in their own right to sit in the House of Lords.
Dr. Addison, on behalf of the Government, intimated that they would propose the deletion of the equal franchise clause in committee, but the other principles would be accepted.

GENERAL SMUTS IN BUDAPEST.

Budapest, April 5.
General Smuts has arrived. He immediately entered into communication with the Government.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

GERMAN EAST AFRICA GOVERNOR AS DELEGATE.

Berlin, April 4.
The German Colonial Administration will be represented at the peace negotiations by Herr Schee, former Governor of German East Africa.

PRESIDENT WILSON HOPEFUL.

Paris, April 6.
President Wilson is progressing favourably. He will probably resume his seat on the Peace Conference on Tuesday.
He received the American delegates in his sick room to-day and outlined the programme for the coming week, which President Wilson is convinced will see a long step taken towards the realisation of peace.

PEACE TREATY READY.

Paris, April 4.
A responsible British authority states that the Peace Treaty is expected to be ready on the 9th instant.

DISTURBANCES IN HUNGARY.

PROMINENT CITIZENS ARRESTED.

Copenhagen, April 11.
A message from Budapest, dated the 4th instant, says the War Commissary, Pogany, has resigned.
The Red Guards intervened in a quarrel with the bourgeoisie and the Communists in Casino and Oedenburg. They fired, killing 4 and wounding 8 severely and many lightly.
Szamor, ex-Governor of West Hungary, and some prominent citizens at Oedenburg have been arrested.
A message from Vienna says numerous German-Austria Communists have entered Hungary. Big demonstrations will be organised on the 6th in the town of Lind in connection with the movement to proclaim a Soviet Republic in German-Austria.

SOVIET REPUBLIC FOR BAVARIA.

TROOPS SIDE WITH PROLETARIAT.

London, April 6.
A telegram from Copenhagen says a Soviet Republic was proclaimed in Bavaria on the 5th. Herr Erzberger at Spa received confirmation of this fact.
The Copenhagen report adds that the Spartacists occupied the Parliament buildings. Simultaneously a number of mass meetings were held at Munich, at which the new Republic was proclaimed. The Independent Socialists joined the Spartacists.
The Premier, Hoffman, who was at Berlin hurried back, but was too late, as the troops, while taking up a neutral attitude, refused to support him, declaring their sympathies on the side of the proletariat. The peasants in different parts of the country joined in a great gathering, and decided to march on Munich.

VOLCANIC ERUPTION IN SOUTH AMERICA.

Rio de Janeiro, April 5.
A volcanic eruption of the mountains near Palmeiro Los Indios in the State of Alagoas on March 30th opened a crater over two kilometres long. The inhabitants fled. A number of them were killed. Volcanic activity has hitherto been unknown in this region.

BOLSHEVIK TIDE IN NORTH RUSSIA.

TWO THOUSAND INHABITANTS SHOT.

Omsk, April 5.
Admiral Koltchak, in a stirring proclamation, says the final objective in the present offensive will be Moscow.
It is officially stated from Omsk that the Bolsheviks have completely devastated Ossa prior to the entry of Admiral Koltchak's forces. Two thousand inhabitants were shot. The Bolsheviks carried off nearly all the surviving workmen.

BRITISH TROOPS IN RUSSIA.

REPATRIATION PROMISED AT EARLY DATE.

London, April 5.
Mr. Winston Churchill has cabled to the British troops in Russia, promising the earliest possible relief and repatriation, when reinforcements arrive.
It is understood that troops to relief Archangel will be sent by two specially constructed transports. It is hoped that they will arrive in the middle of May.

SEAT OF BAVARIAN GOVERNMENT.

SHIFTED FROM MUNICH TO HAMBURG.

Copenhagen, April 7.
A message from Berlin says it is reported that the Bavarian Government is resolved to leave Munich provisionally and make Hamburg the seat of the Government and the National Assembly, protected by reliable troops.

OBITUARY.

SIR WILLIAM CROOKES.

London, April 5.
The death is announced of Sir William Crookes.
[Professor Sir William Crookes was LL.D. of Birmingham, D.S.C. (Oxon), Cambridge, Ireland, Cape of Good Hope, etc.]. He was the discoverer of the Selenocyanides, Thallium, Radiometer. He was Foreign member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, Royal Medallist, Davy Medallist, Copley Medallist, and three times Bakerian lecturer of the Royal Society and proprietor and editor of [Chemical News].

PRESIDENT WILSON'S HEALTH.

Paris, April 4.
President Wilson is suffering from a feverish chill. He is expected to resume work in day or two.

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To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand to-day was 3s 3.15-161.

The Weather.

Forecast—rain. Barometer—29.86. Temperature 2 p.m.—67°. Humidity 2 p.m.—97°.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

(Wah-Tee Yat Po Service.)

Peking, April 10.

Negotiations are proceeding for a 400 million dollar loan, with the land tax as security.

Shanghai, April 10.

The Peace Conference had a formal meeting yesterday which lasted from 9 a.m. till 5.30 in the afternoon. Tang Shao-ye and Chu Kai-kim each submitted two lists of questions for discussion. Tang's list consisted of 13 heads besides six subjects submitted previously but no announcement has been made regarding the 23 heads. Chu's list was classified into two main groups. The first group deals with military affairs and the second group refers to the reform of the local administrative system, the separation of military and civil questions, self-government, development of natural resources by constructing railways, reform of the currency, abolition of obnoxious taxes, removal of unfavourable treaties and the reorganisation loan question.
The Southern delegates had a separate meeting in the evening at Tang Shao-ye's residence to discuss how to deal with questions at the meeting on the 18th inst.

Regarding the Parliamentary question, the Southern delegates advocate letting members of the sixth year Parliament exclusively make the Constitution, but the Northern delegates have absolutely refused this proposal.

MUSEUM DIRECTOR RETIRING.

Sir Lazarus Fletcher is retiring under the operation of the age rule, from the Directorship of the Natural History Departments of the British Museum, which he has held since 1903. He was previously, since 1830, Keeper of Minerals at the British Museum. Sir Lazarus is a Manchester man by birth and education. He was a scholar of Balliol, double first (Mathematics and Natural Science), a Fellow of University College, Oxford, has been Vice-President of the Royal Society and the Physical Society, President of the Geological Society, examiner for many years for the Cambridge Natural Science Tripos, and a corresponding member of a host of foreign academies.

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WAR CHANGES.

MAKING SOLDIERS
COSMOPOLITAN.A Change of some sort is sure to be found in our national life now that war is over. "War never leaves where it found a nation." And among many interesting possibilities is a "Continentalisation" of England. Our soldiers, in their millions will bring at least a familiarity with many habits and customs which just make the difference between Continental and insular society (writes A.E.C. in the *Manchester Guardian*). Every more or less educated Continental speaks two or three languages. You meet even Roumanians, Serbians, Greeks, Bulgarians, Armenians, Turks, who in public invariably speak French and expect you to do the same. "You English," said a Hollander to me, "spoke more French a hundred years ago than you do now." An Englishman had to discuss an important matter with a Swiss whose five-tongue vocabulary did not include English, while the Englishman was innocent of all tongues but his own, "save and" except his school-days Latin. The discussion was carried out indifferently

well in the language of ancient Rome.

There is, for instance, the influence of the American language to be reckoned with. It is certainly different in many respects from London English. Keen-witted Continentals have long ago observed the difference. I note that in Germany you can get several dictionaries of "American," but I have never yet seen a dictionary of the American language (as such) published in English. If you wish to realise "Americanness" at its highest temperature you should read the New York journals *Town Topics*, widely circulated on the Continent. If we add a considerable familiarity with Turks, Mesopotamians, Syrians, and Arabs generally, England will acquire, through her soldiers, some measure of cosmopolitanism also.

METHODS OF POLITENESS.

Returning to Continental influence, one notes little differences in the methods of politeness. You raise your hat to man as well as woman, and to every person of your acquaintance, however humble, chimney-sweep, or charloman. You also raise your hat and give greeting on entering a club or restaurant, and on leaving you say "Adieu!" On every imaginable occasion for

their use you must say "Pardon!" or "Excusez!" There is the useful custom of introducing yourself, admissible in clubs even to ladies, by the simple process of raising your hat, murmuring your name, and outstretching your hand.

Generally speaking, Continental etiquette is democratic and, with the exception of one country, devoid of snobbery. The exception is Prussia. It is curious that the average Continental should class Prussia and England together as the native lands of the snob. England is also still regarded as the home of the hypocrite. Certainly on the Continent human nature and natural needs are regarded frankly and without glazing. One of the most effective pieces of German propaganda in the last two years has been the exploitation of "Iwan Bloch's" book on the sexual life of England, "a study in hypocrisy."

Again, our men are now habituated to the metric system of weights and measures and to the decimal system of coinage. The Continental postal order and post check system is simpler than ours. The difference in the rule of the road has caused several fatal accidents; it may cause more on the return of men habituated to the law of "keep to the right."

STANDARDISATION.

The standardisation of manufactured articles is a war-imposed principle fully appreciated by English, Americans, and Continentals. Its development, should be one of the most far-reaching changes produced by the war. Mr. Ford, with his motor-cars and tractors, has led the way. Swiss firms are busy with the application of the principle all round: boots and shoes, and clothes; windows, chairs, tables, beds, crockery, utensils of all kinds—to be standardised. The principle, of course, is not new; printers applied it centuries ago, and hosiers, gloves, tailors, hatters, and bootmakers have used it for years. But a universal application may be now expected. Standardisation will assist in forming new habits of economy—economy of production, distribution, consumption, and utilisation of waste products. There is a German magazine entirely devoted to this subject, and all Continental economists are busy with the problem of lessening the enormous waste which is the crying defect of modern civilisation—waste of material, waste of labour, waste of brain.

HINTS FROM THE SWISS.

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ities, and in the country to the
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try, again, there is no waste of
an inch of soil. In England one
may estimate by millions of acres
the soil lost by the custom of
hedges, with which all English
farms are entangled. Here cows
out of milk do horse-draught work.
Big and otherwise useless dogs
also do horsework even in the
towns.In the country, again, there is
a movement towards self-
sufficiency of the household—in
cottage, villa, and hotel. This,
in a way, is a reversion to first
principles, to the ideal of "Three
acres and a cow." "Why,
Socrates," said Adeimantus, "you
are making a city of pigs!" (So
Plato in "The Republic"). It
is the complement of
State-rating and State-monopoly.For instance, the villa
discards its strip of lawn and
flower-bed, and installs a chicken
run, a pigsty, and perhaps a cow-
shed. In the fields, intensive
gardening is a Continental in-
stinct. Both in town and in
country schemes are afoot for
utilising sewage, the waste of
which is a blot upon a scientific
civilisation. The sewage farm,
so called, is so far merely a munici-
pal nuisance. All this will not
be lost on the British who have
seen it.JAPAN AND FAR EASTERN
OLYMPIAD.The matter of a Japanese parti-
cipation in the next Far Eastern
games to take place at Manila on
May 10th next does not appear
very promising at the present
time. In a letter to Dr. Marguier,
secretary-treasurer of the F.A.A.F.
and the Far Eastern Association,
Professor Jigoro Kano, who is
President of the Japan Far
Eastern committee, states that
unless the date of the meet is
changed from May to August it is
very probable that Japan will have
to withdraw from the Association.

COMPANY MEETING.

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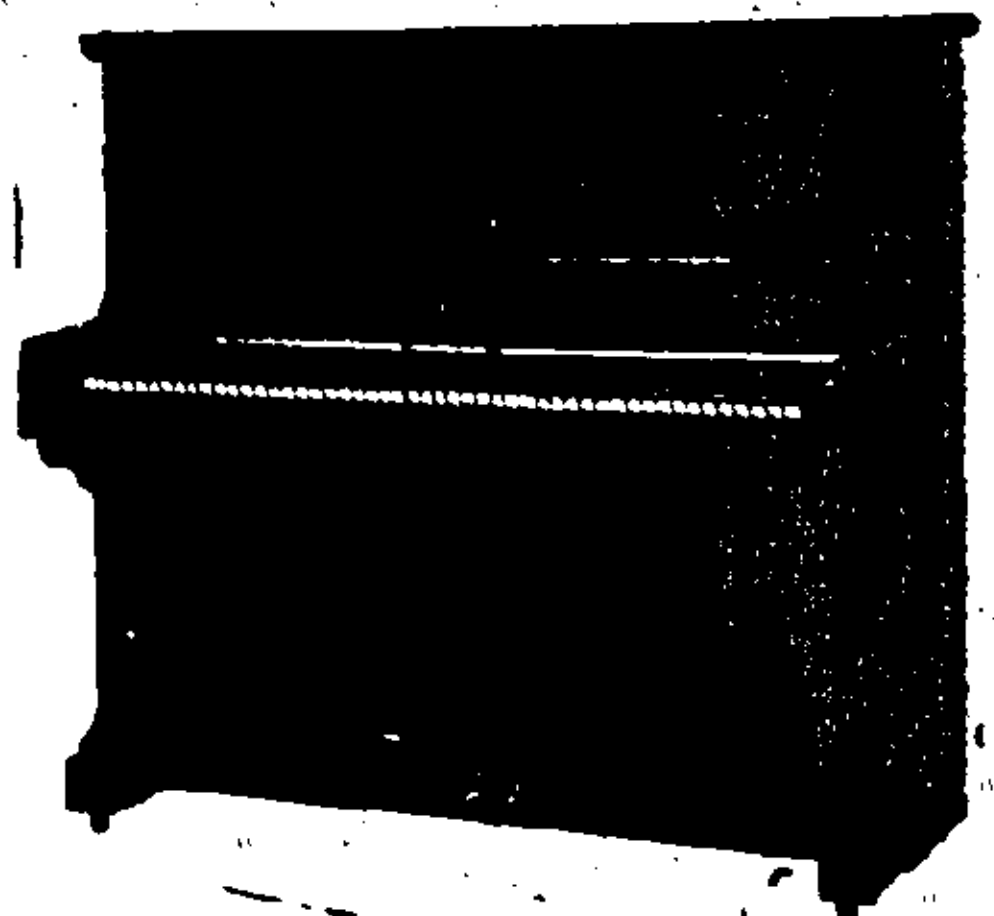
An extraordinary general meeting of the above Company was held at the offices of the Company, last evening at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of passing special resolutions as advertised.

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak presided and these were present the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell, and Messrs. A. O. Lang, W. L. Patterson, J. A. Plummer, A. Forbes and W. Ross Thompson (Directors), C. Montague Ede (Manager), and Messrs. C. H. P. Hay, P. M. Hodgson, D. B. Murray, W. R. Macphail, B. M. C. da Cunha, V. L. dos Remedios, A. E. S. Alves, J. Gardiner, V. R. Ribeiro and M. A. R. Souza.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, some time has elapsed since the notice of this meeting was advertised in the Press announcing that certain resolutions would be submitted and proposed at this meeting to the effect that the Company's capital be converted from silver to gold, and, before asking you to vote upon these resolutions, and others, which are to-day before you, I would like, with your permission, to explain the reasons of your Directors for the change in the constitution of the Company. This Company was established in this Colony many years ago under the name of the "China Traders' Insurance Company, Limited" and later its name was changed to the "British Traders' Insurance Company, Ltd." In 1908 an amalgamation with the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited, was effected and the two Companies are now under the same management and control. Branch offices have been opened in China, Japan, London, Straits Settlements, Australia and India, and lately in Canada, New Zealand and Buenos Aires. The Company's business, as will be seen, is transacted to a very large extent in gold, and our constituents in these places are better able to satisfy themselves as to the security offered by the Company's policies if the Company's financial position is shown in the annual balance sheet in gold, a currency which more properly represents our world wide operations. This morning similar resolutions to those were passed by the shareholders of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited, and it is most desirable that these two Companies, whose operations are so closely allied and under the same management and control, should show their workings under the same currency. In order to bring about the conversion, it has been necessary to apply to the Hongkong Legislature for a special enactment and an Ordinance, intituled "The British Traders' Insurance Company Limited (Capital Conversion) Ordinance 1919, has been passed this morning and the conversion will become effective upon the confirmation of the resolutions which you are to-day being asked to pass. As in the case of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited, your Directors consider it desirable to increase the authorised capital of this Company to £1,000,000, which will compare more favourably with its competitors in gold countries. Upon the confirmation of the resolutions, each share of a nominal value of \$83.33 will be automatically transferred into three shares and two-fifths of one share of the nominal value of £5 each. The total number of gold shares will be 31,600 and at the meeting to be held on the 25th. April, you will be asked to agree to the issuing of 14,400 additional shares on the terms set forth in a notice that will be shortly given. The issued capital will then consist of 66,000 shares and I am authorised to state that the unissued capital represented by 104,000 shares will not be issued in part or whole without your sanction. It is unnecessary at this juncture to deal with the resolution bringing the paid up value of the new shares to £2 each, as we are advised by our solicitors that the passing of extraordinary resolutions is all that is necessary, and these cannot be proposed until the resolutions now before you are confirmed as special resolutions. The ancillary resolutions will be dealt with, therefore, at the confirmatory meeting to be held on the 25th. April. I do not think resolutions Nos. 1 and 2 need any further explanation. Resolution No. 3 deals with alterations in our Articles of Association which are necessary to enable us to declare a bonus dividend out of our reinsurance fund and to set it off against

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Stanton, Pa., Feb. 10.—That Gen. John J. Pershing, commander of the American expeditionary forces, who has been mentioned several times during the last two months as probably being the next Republican candidate for the presidency, will not be a candidate for the nomination, was announced here to-day by James Bracken, Republican leader at Greenville.

Mr. Bracken made the announcement following receipt of a letter from Col. Carl Boyd, private secretary to the American General.

The letter came in reply to a letter sent Gen. Pershing by Bracken, in which Bracken congratulated the general upon the defeat of Germany, and said that in response to the wishes of returning American soldiers the Republican party would probably nominate him for the presidency at the G.O.P. convention in 1920.

In reply to the letter, Col. Boyd, speaking for Gen. Pershing, said: "Gen. Pershing is concerned only with his military duties."

The letter follows:—"My dear Mr. Bracken,—Gen. Pershing has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your cordial letter of Nov. 14, and to extend his hearty thanks for your high appreciation of the achievements of our armies in France, and of himself as their commander-in-chief. As for the other matter mentioned in your letter, he thanks you for the compliment which you pay him, but he is concerned only with his military duties and feels that he could not consistently become interested in anything which would divert his attention from them. He asks me to extend you his best wishes."

a call which is to be made in order to bring the paid up value of the new shares to £2 each. After the next annual general meeting the Directors will recommend declaring dividends in sterling currency and the addition of Article No. 207(b) to the Articles of Association to be legalise the payment at fixed rate of exchange should it be deemed desirable. It is necessary to vote upon the three Resolutions separately. A majority of three quarters of the Shareholders present is necessary to pass them, but your Directors feel confident of your unanimous support.

The Chairman then proposed the resolutions, which were seconded by Mr. D. B. Murray and carried unanimously.

The Chairman then said:—All these resolutions having been passed by the requisite majority, they will be submitted for confirmation as special resolutions to a second extraordinary meeting to be held on Friday, the 25th. day of April, 1919, at 12.30 o'clock p.m., due notice of which will be given. The meeting then terminated.

WHY END SUBMARINES?

FRENCH EXPERT'S VIEWS.

M. Laubeuf, the eminent French engineering specialist in submarine construction, is very disturbed at the decision rumoured to have been arrived at recently at a meeting of British and American delegates, tending to the suppression of the submarine as a war weapon. M. Laubeuf hopes that the Peace Conference will decline to accept this proposition, which would be favourable only to the great maritime Powers and leave the small Powers completely disarmed before them.

"Why," he asks, "should they wish to suppress submarines merely because the Germans have used them in a dishonourable manner and in conflict with international law? Why not, by the same process of reasoning, suppress guns which were used to fire poison-gas shells, and aeroplanes which bombed open towns, killing women and children?"

"The French people cannot remain indifferent to this suggestion. They must not follow the United States and Great Britain in such ideas, for France without submarines would be nothing on the sea as opposed to the great maritime nations."

ANTI-TOBACCO CAMPAIGN.

A MANILA MOVEMENT.

An anti-tobacco campaign will soon be started by the Christian Service League, the same organization which is now waging a vigorous fight against cockfighting, gambling, and all other forms of vices, says the *Manila Bulletin*. The campaign against the tobacco habit was decided upon by the members of the league at a recent meeting called at the suggestion of Mrs. H. H. Steinmetz, a prominent religious and social service worker who has done a great deal for the welfare of the rising generation of the Philippines.

While no definite plans have as yet been laid out for the prosecution of the campaign, it was learned that the organization will start its work along this line by making an inquiry into the present laws to see if any legislation has been enacted in regard to the use of tobacco. The league will also make representations to the school authorities of the islands to enlist their aid in reducing the spread of the habit among school children.

The league realises, it was explained, that it has a tremendous task in trying to stamp out a habit to which a majority of the people is addicted, but it will go about its work by making an appeal to have the rights of those who do not smoke respected. Especially in public places, it was stated, a great deal of inconvenience is experienced by those who find tobacco distasteful. If the league succeeds in its attempt to have this right respected it will eventually mean the gradual elimination of the use of tobacco, especially by the young who will thus come to realize that the best way to respect other people's right in regard to tobacco smoking is not to smoke at all.

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MARRIAGE.

BURN-MACLEAN.—On April 10th, at Hongkong, George Andrew Burn, of Edinburgh, Scotland, to Ethel Anna Maclean, daughter of the late John Maclean, of Bangkok, Siam.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 1919.

THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PRESS.

It was pleasing to observe in connection with yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council some evidence of an official desire to make a break with past precedents in regard to Council matters, if, by so doing, the general convenience could be served. In the first place, His Excellency showed himself anxious to come into line with the Home Parliamentary practice of answering certain questions in writing, thereby avoiding the necessity either of holding meetings solely for the purpose of giving replies to unofficial queries or of causing needless delay in the securing of information. That is a very sensible innovation, and one which ought to work well on occasions when there is no urgent business to engage the attention of Councilors. We were glad also to note the earlier hour at which the Council sat—eleven o'clock is a far more reasonable time than two-thirty, and we hope that yesterday's experiment—if it were one—will be generally followed in the future.

During the course of the meeting, His Excellency took occasion to make a few observations with regard to granting facilities to the Press to secure information from the Government on subjects of public concern. His remarks obviously were not made in any complaining spirit; we regard them as being sincerely meant and as evidence of His Excellency's wish to bring the Government and the Press into closer touch. From that standpoint we can and do appreciate the motives inspiring Mr. Severn's little dissertation. The burden of his remarks was that many statements and comments are from time to time made in the columns of the newspapers which would possibly not appear in print if occasion were first taken to seek information on the points involved, from official quarters. His Excellency says it does not follow that all the information so imparted could be made public, but that the mere possession of confidential knowledge would on occasion prevent the circulation of mistaken ideas. That is the gist of his observations, coupled with an intimation that His Excellency is always accessible to those responsible for the production of newspapers, to whom, he is sure, information would rarely be withheld. That is so much to the good, and if His Excellency's promise is freely and frankly observed, there should be far less working in the dark than there has been in the past.

His Excellency is right in assuming that most newspapers are anxious to present accurate information to their readers; it would be a foolish, and, incidentally, from a business point of view, an unsound policy for a journal willfully to ignore the truth of facts. It pays no newspaper to be always working on assumptions and imaginings. But, whilst fully appreciating His Excellency's intimation, we cannot agree that in cases where erroneous statements gain currency on public issues the fault is always to be laid at the door of the Press. The public knows how extremely reticent the Government often is when replying in Council to seekers after knowledge; Unofficial members have openly declared how difficult it is to get definite replies to unambiguous questions. And, we say it with all due deference, that experience has been repeated over and over again when the Press has sought information from official sources. We can recall many occasions when our representatives have found Government officials decidedly uncommunicative, to put it very mildly. Of late—whatever the reason may be—matters have improved in this regard, and on various topics we have been able to secure valuable information from more than one Government Department. His Excellency apparently believes in taking the Press more into his confidence than have some other holders of the office which he now fills. We appreciate the change, and can only hope that the policy he has now indicated will be followed by those who come after him.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

The replies given by the Government to the questions put by the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster and the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, in the Legislative Council yesterday, were of such a nature as to create feelings of satisfaction on the one hand and disappointment on the other. Taken in the order in which the questions were put by Mr. Alabaster, the first reply was eminently satisfactory. The provision of a playground for the children on Mount Kellat Road is most desirable in view of the added danger to life and limb owing to the increased ricksha traffic on the Peak. In passing, we wonder why similar steps have not been taken in connection with the motor traffic on Kennedy Road. However we will deal with this matter at some future date. The reply to the second question included a refusal by the Government to erect a bandstand on the unused lot on the north side of the Supreme Court, but no reason was vouchsafed as to why this most desirable step should not be taken. Surely this is not one of the points upon which the Government is "debarred" from publishing information? However, of this also, more anon.

The reply to question three appears to be satisfactory, likewise replies to questions four, five and six. Coming to the response to the seventh question, as to whether the Government had done anything to assist visitors passing through the Colony to obtain shelter, the reply was rather in the nature of a camouflage. It was left open question whether anything would be done by the Government if assistance was applied for. In view of the great lack of hotel accommodation and the almost certain recurrence of what took place two or three weeks ago, if the Government is prepared to give assistance a public announcement should be made to that effect, and the hotels who have to turn temporary visitors away should be instructed to advise application to the Government. The reply to question eight was one of the most clear and comprehensive statements we have ever heard at question time. His Excellency later on explained the matter further. To bring busy business men to the Council Chamber merely for the purpose of reading out a series of answers to questions which could just as easily be circulated by letter and through the Press is absurd, and for once in a way both Official and Unofficial members were unanimous. Question one by the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak seemed to have been met in an adequate manner and the same may apply to question two, since Mr. Holyoak appeared to be satisfied, at least for the time being. Thus we find that out of ten questions eight were replied to in a manner that could give little cause for complaint and two were somewhat unsatisfactory. We may yet hope to see "O.K." placed against the replies to all questions asked.

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WANTED: STATE ENTERPRISE.

The war, if it has done nothing else, has at least brought home to us the necessity of developing the Empire's resources. The prospects of increasing revenue by productive enterprise throughout the Empire are immense. The undeveloped resources of the British Empire are enormous. Mr. Churchill's bold investment on behalf of the British Government in the Anglo-Persian Oil Company, which is yielding eight per cent., is an instructive lesson. There is a great field for a State in avenues where individual enterprise may not be tempted to venture. We have reached a stage in the development of the Empire when we must consider possible opportunities for the State of creating wealth quickly. There are boundless resources in the Empire and it is only a question of bringing the people of Great Britain into fruitful contact with these boundless potentialities of wealth. In a debate in the House of Commons recently on the Address, Mr. H. Wilson Fox advocated an enquiry into the prospects of increasing revenue by productive enterprise throughout the Empire. He instanced the whole fisheries in the Antarctic and pointed out that the Empire possessed the main portion of the world's food in fish which if developed by a national fishing fleet would produce ten million tons of fish annually and provide millions of sterling profit for the Exchequer. There is plenty of matter for thought in this suggestion.

DAY BY DAY.

PERHAPS ALL THINGS COME TO HIM WHO WAITS, BUT THERE ARE MANY THINGS NOT WORTH WAITING FOR.

A fine of \$350, or, in default, three months' hard labour, was today imposed on a Chinese for having 39 tael of raw opium government opium.

The Admiral Line will open their permanent offices on the 5th floor, Hotel Mansions Building, to-morrow. There will be "open house" from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Yesterday's health return shows three cases of plague, (two fatal), three of cerebro-spinal meningitis (two fatal) and one fatal occurrence of enteric fever. All were Chinese.

Mr. P. W. Goldring has secured \$2,000 bail for a Chinese who was charged with being in possession of 3,000 lottery tickets. The case was remanded until to-morrow.

Pressing business too far, involved a Chinese shop-keeper in a \$50 fine this morning. He was caught by the Police selling liquor to some European soldiers after 12 mid-night, the closing hour.

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OUTRAGE AT Y.M.C.A. HOSTEL.

A during assault and robbery was perpetrated recently in the Y.M.C.A. hostel, Bothwell-street, Glasgow. Four men, two civilians, a soldier and a sailor, arrived at the hostel about 2 a.m., and asked for shelter till the train left for the North at 5 o'clock. They were admitted and when leaving about 4 o'clock they attacked the night attendant, knocking him down and rendering him unconscious. They then gagged him and rifled his pockets. They abstracted about £50 from the safe. One of the civilians was captured, and was remanded at the police court later in the day.

ROBBIE'S LETTER.

TO HIS NEPHEW AT HOME.

Hongkong, 9th April 1919.

Dear Alick,

Man, when ye come back, if ye're spared and well, ye'll not know this place. Just what shape the Peace Memorial is to take haena been decided yet, but they've got plenty of suggestions, ye believe me. Properly set out under their headings and sub-headings, and numbered off and each paragraph set to one side, up to now they represent quite a respectable lot of foolscap. I'll be far cheated if there's no dog fight over the business before it's finished. Too many cooks spoil the broth and many patterns of voile maketh the wife's head dizzy. Many a good dress has been spoilt wi' a multitude o' patterns to choose from. When Janet used to make up her mind to get a real nice No. 1 Sunday dress it was worse than a church planning to build a Hall. She usually formed a committee of one, wi' power to add to its number (that was me) and the first step was to have a series of consultations wi' her friends. Mrs. Macpherson usually elected herself adviser-chief and wi' her help D'Aguilar Street and vicinity was carefully mapped out and a day set aside for the collection of patterns, half of which were generally lost in the depths of bags and purses before they got home. At this stage I would be casually shown the wisps of material that remained after the foray and in a careless off-handed manner would be asked "How do you think that would look wi' fillet lace and net?" If experience is worth all that it's cracked up to be and has any meaning whatever to the average man that's been through the mill, he's a wise man that ceases his forehead wi' camouflaged thought and wi' apparent heartiness says that it looks "fine". The unthinking in his grin days at the game will finger the mill and let off some mental exhaust about it (the aforesaid stuff) being on the thin side for a bathing suit. But the average wife is also at the salad stage o' things if she doesna' wither him wi' a look that makes him feel like a trousered worm and a puerile minny to boot. A man's no long married before he's made to realise that for his wife to have clothes doesna' necessarily mean that she's clothed. A woman may have a couple of wardrobes festooned wi' frocks and yet have nothing to wear. That's more than mild philosophy, mind ye, it's honest fact, all bachelor scoffing to the contrary. All of the psychologists admit that women like men to be masterful in courtship but not afterwards. That's another story anyway, but the fact remains nevertheless that it is invariably on the question of clothes that the young wife wins her first Waterloo. Well, as I was saying, after the collection of fabric comes in turn the look-see at the fashion books. That seems a simple process, but, like lots o' other seemingly easy things in this world, it isn't. I've seen Janet surrounded round and round in the middle of our parlour floor wi' open fashion books and brown paper patterns marking the place and then no able to settle in her mind the way she wanted her frock made. It usually ended up in a skirt o' one picture being stuck on the blouse o' another and in the end the collar of something else being thrown in as make-weight. I suppose that the folks that design them sort of pictures, imbecile and all as they look, have some kind of preconceived idea as to what should be, and ye would think that womenfolks would have the sense (if there is such a commodity on tap during these operations) to leave well alone and give themselves a chance to look like something other than fashionable crossbreds.

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but your cross-section being more on the lines of a hog's head, how can ye possibly imagine that ye'll ever look like that after the tailors are through wi' ye? And then the row would start. Believe me, at this dressmaking game there's no a woman living, let her be ever so good-natured, but doesna' take umbrage at light remarks about her figure. The man's interest lies chiefly in his pass

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Hongkong in common with every other city in the world, has its pet grievances. The weather, the Government, the lack of housing accommodation, the commandeering of vessels, the telephone and the electric light services and the late delivery of the Home mails all form subjects for grievances. It is indeed easy to criticize.

We have no desire to pose as a critic of our telephone service, and, conscious of the great difficulties with which the Telephone Company is faced, we took the trouble of interviewing Mr. A. S. Bennett, the Manager. During the interview we learnt several interesting facts relating to the many local telephone traffic difficulties, and we also spent an interesting half-hour in seeing over the Hongkong Central Exchange.

In this exchange the daily load reaches 40,000 calls and we witnessed the operating staff handling the mid-afternoon load. Each operator was seated at her section of the switchboard busily manipulating the plugs and connecting calls at the rate of nearly 200 per hour. Except for the click of the plugs and the rapid movement of the operators' arms, there was nothing to show that the exchange was busy and it is certainly hard to appreciate that hundreds of subscribers were actually conversing.

Each telephone subscriber has two distinct and individual wires connecting his instrument with the exchange. These wires are carried under the streets in paper core lead-covered cables which terminate on a test frame in the exchange and at various distributing points outside. The working lines are sorted out in numerical order on the test frame whence they are wired to two intermediate frames to connect with the apparatus used for signalling the calls on the switchboard. When the subscriber rings the exchange, he energizes a delicately constructed electro-magnetic relay, which operation closes a circuit and lights a calling lamp on the switchboard. In plugging in to answer, the operator automatically restores the relay and the calling lamp is extinguished. By pressing a key the operator connects her headgear telephone to the calling subscriber and ascertains the number required by asking "Number please." The subscriber, if he be wise, gives the required number slowly and distinctly, naming each figure separately and emphasising the nine and five. Each number on the system is multiplied at short intervals throughout the switchboard so that each operator is able to reach all the numbers without leaving her seat. A special motor is provided for ringing subscribers' telephone bells, and the operators have only to press a key to ring the required numbers. When the conversation is completed and the receivers are placed on the rest, two lamp signals glow whereupon the operator disconnects the lines which are then ready for further calls. In the Hongkong Exchange the traffic staff numbers 84; the operators work in teams, each of which is in charge of a supervisor. The supervisors are controlled by the clerks in charge, assisted by two monitors.

The chief difficulties of working telephones in Hongkong are due to adverse weather conditions and language troubles. In the former case a rapid change in temperature or the occurrence of heavy humidity are sufficient to cause the finely adjusted relays to fail. To cope with the humidity trouble a plant for distributing dry air throughout the exchange apparatus has been installed.

The language troubles are very difficult to combat. The Chinese will speak numbers hopelessly from a telephone point of view, with the result that they frequently call wrong numbers. In calling a number with figures, a Chinese whispers the first figure in a deep voice to

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enable him to give the rising tone; for instance if a Chinese calls 2334, he says, "Yee san sun size" but the first figure, Yee, is usually so faint that the number called is often 334. Also, a Chinese rarely corrects the operator if the numbers are incorrectly repeated. An attempt is now being made to educate the Chinese in the correct manner of using the telephone, and, if this attempt is not effective, the Chinese numbers may have to be separated entirely from the remaining numbers on the switchboard.

When using the local telephones, it should be borne in the mind that the language difficulties exist, and each subscriber should speak his numbers slowly and distinctly. Nines should be pronounced "Nien" (because the German) and five pronounced with a long I and a strong V. The subscribers should do their utmost to co-operate with the Telephone Company in this respect if a good service is desired. There is another point which the Telephone Company states should be improved upon by the subscribers. Many telephones are answered at present by unintelligent coolies with the result that many cases occur when people think that they are connected to a wrong number when the Chinaman's voice is heard answering.

The trouble that the Telephone Company now experience is that their switchboard is loaded to the highest capacity, owing to the war, because they have received no apparatus from England, and, secondly, each operator is working the highest load possible. A great point that the public fail to realize is that the telephone mechanism is delicate and any big change in temperature or any sudden heavy damage will upset the whole telephone apparatus. Delays are liable and cannot be helped. In Manila and Shanghai they have exactly the

same trouble and our telephone service compares very favourably with theirs.

The Company has 3,100 subscribers in Hongkong and 500 in Kowloon. On the question of whether the wrong number nuisance is likely to abate in the near future, Mr. Bennett said:—"Wrong numbers will continue. We are doing our best to educate our Chinese subscribers and it is a difficult job, indeed. In Shanghai they have Chinese male operators for Chinese subscribers. I do not know whether patrons have the same trouble there. The policy of our Telephone Company is to engage only girls as operators."

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Leung Yee is a hard working ricksha coolie who wants to get on in the world. But yesterday, he put his foot into it. His ricksha ran into another ricksha in which was Mr. B. L. Frost.

From the statements made in Mr. Orme's Court by Mr. Frost and the Police, it appears that Mr. Frost engaged a ricksha at the Kowloon ferry to go to his residence. There were also a number of other rickshas hired by other people, and they all proceeded along the road in a string. Leung Yee's ricksha was at the tail-end. As has been already mentioned, Leung Yee is ambitious. He refused to accept the humiliation of remaining at the tail-end—a respectable place at the head was what he desired. He turned aside from the traffic, put on a burst and then turned again and precipitated himself, his passenger and ricksha into the head of the procession, with the full intention of forcing his way up in the line. This was a rash act, which was followed with disastrous consequences. He crashed into Mr. Frost's ricksha, upsetting it and throwing Mr. Frost on to the road.

Mr. Orme, after hearing the story, said to the coolie:—"Apparently you were trying to get in front of other people instead of taking your turn. You were defrauding the other ricksha coolies. You are fined \$2, or seven days."

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When a lady meets her late absconding lodger and asks him to square up, and he, instead of doing so, like a man, hits her on the mouth and loosens one of her teeth, this is rather more than human nature can stand. The lady referred to was a Chinese woman, and she took in a lodger who agreed to pay her ten cents for each meal. After he had been fattened for two months and when the bill had run up to \$12, he quietly took his departure and made himself scarce. The woman by chance met him yesterday at Shanghai Street, and when she taxed him with his iniquity, he promptly and lustily belaboured her. After all this show of brutal force one would have expected him to walk off in high glee, but instead of taking this course he subsided and allowed himself to be led off like a sheep by the woman to the Police Station.

The magisterial mandate to-day was that a sum of \$12 should be paid to the woman as compensation, or a term of imprisonment for one month would be the result.

SUPREME COURT.

THE SANDER WEILER
CASE.

In the Supreme Court this morning, before Sir William Reeves, P.C., Chief Justice, application for a stay of execution was made in the case in which L. O. Hughes, liquidator of the trade and personal affairs of A.W.A. Becker, a partner in the firm of Sander, Weiler and Co. and Harry Wickham, liquidators of the trade of the firm, were sued by Chui Wah Hin, Loh-shing, having given judgment for detention.

The Hon. H. E. Pollock, K.C., for the plaintiff made application that the execution of the judgment be stayed for six months in order that the plaintiff might submit the case for the opinion of Counsel in England as to whether or not the said judgment should be appealed from in the Full Court and consequently if an adverse judgment were obtained from the Full Court, to appeal to the Privy Council and that the sum of \$65,000 deposited by the defendant with the liquidators in an agreement dated October 15, 1917, be deposited in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank at two and a half per cent.

The application was adjourned.

SUMMARY COURT.

SOLICITOR AND CLIENT.

In the Summary Court this morning Mr. Justice Melbourne gave judgment for plaintiff in the case in which Mr. Richard C. Faithfull, solicitor, sued Chan Cheung-chai, alias Chan Cheung-chai, coal merchant, for the recovery of \$235.20 being as to \$100.20 for monies paid by him at the defendant's request to Messrs. D'Almeida and Mason on May 28, 1918, in order that the defendant might be released from custody and as to \$45 thereof for professional services rendered to the defendant.

ART CRITICISM IN A WILL.

Mr. Alexander Laird-Carter, of Jermyn-street, S. W., art dealer, left property valued at £81,535. He bequeathed to the London Museum the first state proof mezzotint of "Master Lambton," by Samuel Cousins, after Sir Thomas Lawrence, which he considers "the finest I have ever had or seen. All would-be mezzotint engravers would do well to study this beautiful mezzotint."

THE THREE WILLIAMS.

The following telegram has been sent from London to Mr. William M. Hughes, Prime Minister of Australia, and Mr. William E. Massey, Prime Minister of New Zealand: "One hundred and fifty wounded Australian and New Zealand soldiers send their best respects to their beloved Williams from down under, and wish them every success in their endeavours to cut the comb of the other William, late of Potsdam." (Signed) Turner, chairman.

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Shanghai	Hopsang	J. M. Co.	13, Apr.
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Swatow and Bangkok	Chinhua	B. & S.	14, Apr.
Shanghai	Tean	B. & S.	15, Apr.
Tientsin	Chipsang	J. M. Co.	16, Apr.
Haiphong	Taksang	J. M. Co.	16, Apr.
Shanghai	Sunning	B. & S.	17, Apr.
Shanghai	Kwongsang	J. M. Co.	17, Apr.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haihong	D. L. Co.	18, Apr.
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Japan	Tilwong	J.C.J.L.	22, Apr.
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Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th April, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 29th April, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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Hongkong, 9th March, 1919.

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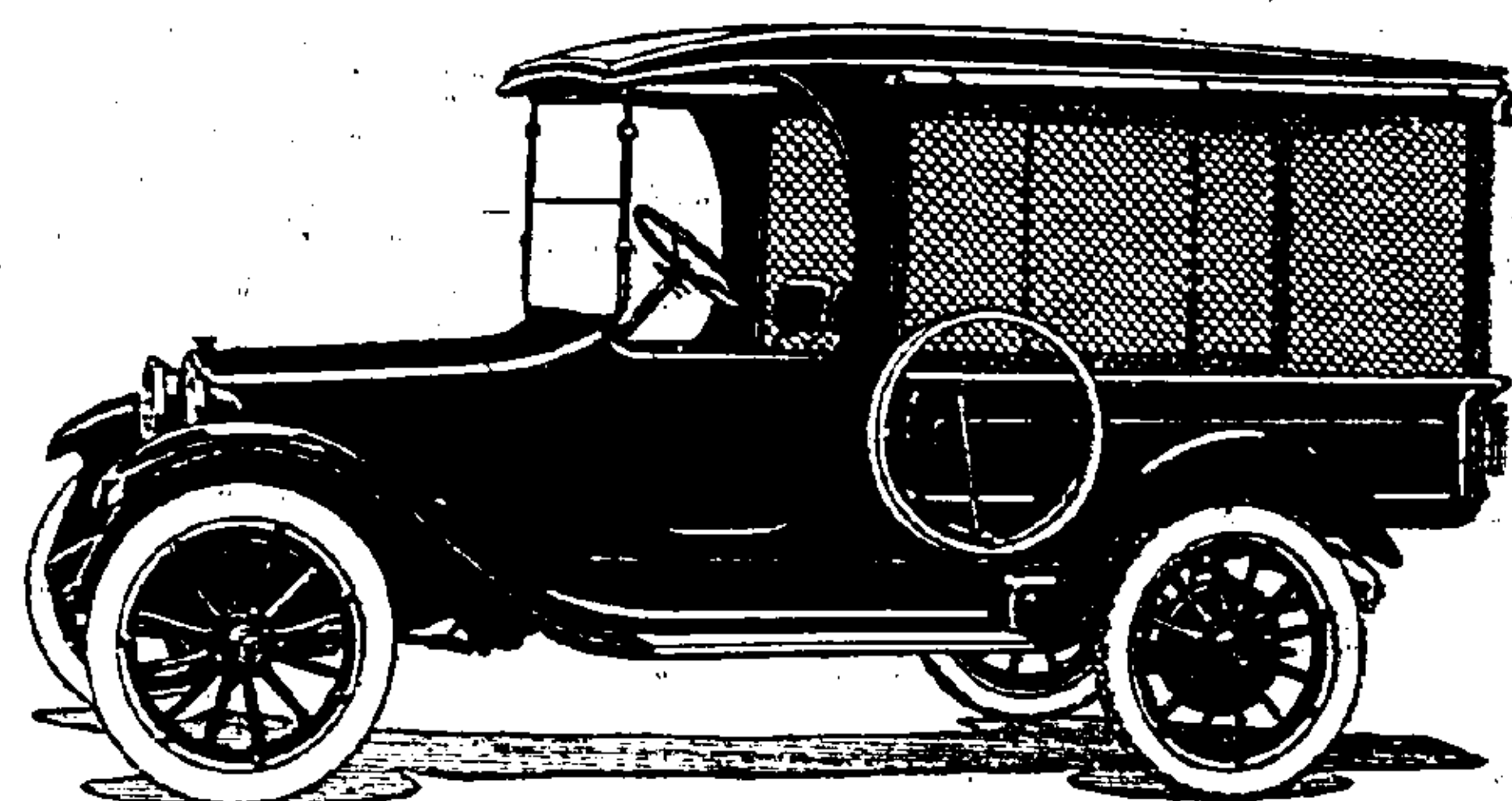
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(Continued from page 1.)

CONDITIONS IN MURMANSK.

TRANQUILITY IN SPITE OF BOLSHEVIST TENDENCIES.

London, April 5.

The Times' correspondent at Murmansk, telegraphing on the 3rd instant, says: Comparative tranquillity reigns here although stray shots are heard by walking after dusk. General Maynard is aware of the Bolshevist tendencies in this growing town, which contains 6,000 Russian labourers. They prevented a revolt last week, arresting 20 ringleaders. The health of the troops is excellent. They have good food, entertainments, sports and an ideal climate. The battleship Glory lying in the harbour, commands the town. The danger from the Bolshevists is greater at Archangel.

INDEPENDENCE FOR THE PHILIPPINES.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S CONVICTION.

Washington, April 4.

Mr. Baker received the Philippine delegation. He stated that President Wilson expressed the opinion that the time had arrived to grant the Philippines independence.

COMMANDEERED DUTCH VESSELS.

THEIR RETURN BY AMERICA.

Washington, April 4.

The Shipping Board proposes to return 87 Dutch ships, still held by the United States, to their owners in the present month.

ECHO OF BILLIE CARLETON'S DEATH.

London, April 4.

At the Old Bailey, Devon, mentioned on January 23 and March 5, was indicted for the manslaughter of Miss Billie Carleton. The jury returned a verdict of "Not Guilty."

SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

GERMAN SHIPS IN JAVA.

PARTY FROM SINGAPORE TO EXAMINE AND REPORT.

Singapore, April 10.

A party of ship surveyors and marine engineers, including Lloyd's Marine Surveyor and the Surveyor General of Ships, is leaving for Java to examine and report upon twenty odd German ships there.

It is reported that the party will examine over 30 German ships with a view to taking them over.

STRAITS FOOD SITUATION.

Singapore, April 10.

The Food Controller has held meetings at Penang, Johore and Singapore to explain the situation. He forecasted that the end of the year would see an actual shortage of rice, and said it was urgently necessary to increase other supplies. He advocated the cultivation of tapioca to exchange for wheat in Europe and Australia.

TROUBLESOME CHINESE.

Singapore, April 10.

The repatriated Chinese who gave trouble on the voyage here from India have left for China by the s.s. Namsang under guard.

HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Orders by Major H. A. Morgan, Administrative Commandant, state:—

STRENGTH.

No. 600 Pte. W. H. Prowse, "B" Coy., is permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, to date from day of departure.

PROMOTIONS.

Artillery Company.—No. 8 Sergt. B. W. Bradbury to be Company Sergeant Major vice C. S. M. Mackie resigned, dated 4.4.19. No. 9 Sergt. C. E. Frith to be Acting Company Sergeant Major during the absence on leave of C. S. M. McKirdy dated 10.4.19.

Infantry Battalion.—No. 276 Lance Sergt. W. H. Edwards to be Staff Sergeant Instructor of Musketry, dated 9.4.19.

EXAMINATION FOR PROMOTION. Reference Corps Order No. 5 dated 10.1.19, a lecture will be given by the Adjutant at Headquarters on Wednesday, 16th April, at 6.00 p.m.

LEAVE.

R.Q.M.S. J. R. Rieger, is granted 8 months' leave, to date from day of departure, Gr. F.J. de Rome, Art. Coy., is granted 10 months' leave from 5.3.19. Pte. W.D. Bell, "D" Company, is granted 7 months' leave from 1.3.19.

ARTILLERY ORDERS.

Orders for Artillery Company by Major J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D., state:—

Tuesday, 22nd April.—5.30 p.m. Left Half Coy. Full Parade at Headquarters. Inspection of arms, ammunition and equipment. Helmets to be worn.

Friday, 25th April.—7.30 a.m. Night Half Coy. Full Parade at Headquarters. Inspection of arms, ammunition and equipment. Helmets to be worn.

ENGINEER ORDERS.

Orders for Engineer Company by Lieut. R. Hall state:—

Practice Run D. E. L.—N. C. O. and Sappers as detailed by the C. S. M. will parade for duty at Lyceum on Tuesday, 15th April, at 3.30 p.m. Officer on duty: Lieut. Hill.

Instructional Class for Recruits.—Recruits will attend for instruction under R. E. Staff Sergeant at 9 p.m. on Wednesday, 16th April, at Belchers (instead of West Fort, Kowloon, as previously notified). Officer on duty: Lieut. Stevens.

A Meeting of Officers and N. C. O.s will be held at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 15th April, to consider various matters connected with the Company.

Pay.—Those who have not drawn their February pay should do so at Engineer Company office between 5.15 and 6 p.m. on Monday 14th April. Pay not drawn on that date will be forfeited and returned to Treasury.

INFANTRY ORDERS.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan state:—

Monday, 14th April.—5.15 p.m. "A" Company, No. 4 Platoon, at Headquarters, T.E.T. All men under 46 years of age who scored less than 110 points in Part 2 of the last Musketry Course are required to attend.

Tuesday, 15th April.—5.15 p.m. "A" Company, No. 2 Platoon, at Headquarters, T.E.T. for N. C. O.s. The following will attend:—

Sergt. Humphreys, Corps. Walker and MacKichan, and L/Cpl. Brown.

MOUNTED SECTION.

Monday, 14th April.—5.15 p.m. at Jockey Club Stable Dress, Drill order.

SIGNALING SECTION.

Tuesday 15th April.—5.15 p.m. At Headquarters, T.E.T. Rifles, belt, pouches and dummy cartridges to be carried.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th April to the 25th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
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Hongkong, 11th April, 1919.

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Shells b. \$169/- sa. \$167

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Sugars b. \$335 sa. \$29/132

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Kailans sa. \$50/-

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Green Islands sa. \$780

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C. Light & P. b. cum rights \$1

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H. K. Electrics b. \$784

Macao Electrics n. \$33

Ropes n. \$35

Trams, Low Level n. \$9

Trams, Peak, old b. \$75

Trams, Peak, new b. \$65

Laundries b. \$12

Steel Foundries n. \$134

U. Waterboats n. \$134

Watsons b. \$61

Wm. Powells b. \$1

Wiseman's b. \$27

Hongkong, April 11, 1919.

HAGGIS UNCONTROLLED.

The 160th anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns was celebrated by the London Robert Burns Club at the Prince's Restaurant. Mr. William Will, President of the Club, was in the chair, and among those present were Mr. Robert Munro, M.P., Secretary for Scotland, Lord Morris, Major-General Sir Ian Hamilton, Capt. Bruce Bairnsfather, etc. Mr. Will said that, thanks to our invincible Army and the indefatigable efforts of the civil population, the haggis was now uncontrolled. (Applause.) The Club did not exist, as cynics suggested, to give Scotsmen once a year an opportunity to get gloriously and abundantly "fu" neither was it a close corporation. Men of many nationalities were gathered together in its membership.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

TO BE SOLD.

TO BE SOLD.—Pursuant to an ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG dated the 7th day of March 1919 made in an Action in the matter of the Estate of HO TSUN SAN alias HO SHU TONG alias HO SAN CHUNG alias HO A. SIK alias HO A. SEEK alias HO A. SIK deceased BY

M. GEORGE P. LAMMERT
at his Auction Rooms in
addell Street
on

WEDNESDAY
the 30th day of April 1919
at 3 o'clock in the
AFTERNOON

IN TWENTY LOTS.
TH. VALUABLE LEASE-
HOLD PROPERTY

it is a and being Nos. 49 and 51 Hollywood Road standing on Inland Lot No. 200, Nos. 40; and 406 Que n', Road Wes. Nos. 5 and 7 Sam To Lane all standing on the Remaining Portion of Section F of Inland Lot No. 809, Nos. 51, 53, 137 and 151 Second Street standing on the Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 759 and Section G, and the Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 800, Nos. 27, 31, 33, 37, 39, and 41 Centre Street standing on the Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 754, Nos. 25, 28 and 52, First Street standing on the Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 759 and the Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 583, No. 43 Graham Street standing on the Remaining Portion of Inland Lot No. 195, No. 30 Peel Street and No. 22 Gage Street, being respectively Section E and Section G of Inland Lot No. 137, Victoria Hongkong.

Lot 1 consists of the two semi-European Houses, Nos. 49 and 51 Hollywood Road held under a Crown Lease having 932 years to run.

Lot 3 comprises Nos. 402 Queen's Road West and No. 7 Sam To Lane.

Lot 3 comprises No. 406 Queen's Road West.

Lot 4 comprises No. 5 Sam To Lane.

Lots 5 & 6 are Nos. 137 and 153 Second Street.

Lots 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 are all held for a term of 999 years of which 942 years are unexpired.

Lot 7 to 12 inclusive are Nos. 27, 31, 33, 37, 39 and 41 Centre Street, one house for each lot. All are held under a Crown Lease having 942 years unexpired.

Lots 13, 14 and 15 comprise Nos. 51 and 53 Second Street and 52, First Street. These lots are so have an unexpired term of 942 years.

Lots 16 and 17 are Nos. 25 and 27 First Street held under a Crown Lease with 933 years unexpired.

Lot 18 is No. 43 Graham Street. This lot has 934 years to run.

Lots 19 and 20 are No. 30 Peel Street and No. 22 Gage Street. They are both held under a Crown Lease having an unexpired term of 930 years. All the above houses except lot 1 are Chinese houses.

Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be obtained from and sale plans of the property may be inspected at the offices of:—

Mr. E. L. AGASSIZ,
21 Queen's Road Central,
or
Mr. GEORGE P. LAMMERT
The Auctioneer.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
NOTICE is hereby given that the Transfer Books of the Society will be CLOSED from the 19th April to the 25th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1919.

NOTICES.

PEACE CELEBRATIONS.

JAPANESE RED LANTERNS.

DIAMETER

	8 inches	11 inches
Per Case of 500	\$35.00	\$50.00
Per 100	7.50	11.00
Per dozen	1.00	1.25

CANDLES, to burn about five hours, can be supplied at \$2.40 per 100.

PRICES NETT—CASH ON DELIVERY.

PLACE YOUR ORDERS EARLY.

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and you want the most modern cars procurable at a price that is reasonable.

CARS FOR HIRE.

Chandler, 7 Passenger: \$8.00 per hour

Hudson Super Six: 7.00 "

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WEEKLY & MONTHLY TRIPS CAN BE ARRANGED.

TEL. 2499 A LARGE STOCK OF GOODRICH & GOODYEAR TYRES & TUBES SIZES 24" & 32" X 4 HAVE ARRIVED. TEL. 2499

THE HONGKONG SCHOOL OF MOTORING.

APPLICATIONS FROM STUDENTS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED.

The SCHOOL has accommodation for 200 PUPILS, the syllabus including courses for MECHANICS and DRIVING.

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TELEPHONE 482.

BEST CARS IN THE COLONY FOR HIRE.

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

U.S. TRANSPORTATION SITUATION.

The Traffic Bureau of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce has received information that the Directors of Traffic and Public Service for the United States Railroad Administration have sent a formal letter to the freight traffic committees of the country, instructing them to desist from considering schemes for making changes in the freight rate structures of the country. In substance, this order is that until further advice by the Directors named above, the committees are not to docket or send out for public consideration any proceeding making a general increase in the rate on any commodity or commodities in any district or territory or any general readjustment of rates in any district or territory unless the approval of the Directors of Traffic and Public Service has first been given. In view of the above it is felt that the transportation situation of the country will gradually revert to normal condition as in effect prior to the war, and that that the abnormal advances in freight rates which were viewed as a war necessity are now behind us.

EXCHANGE.

SELLING.

T/T Demand	3/3 1/2
30 d/s	3/3 1/2
4 m/s	3/3 1/2
4 m/s Shanghai	Nom.
T/T Singapore	141 1/2
T/T Japan	51 1/2
T/T India	Nom.
Demand India	Nom.
T/T San Francisco	77 1/2
co & New York	77 1/2
T/T Java	191
T/T Manila	Nom.
T/T France	45 1/2
Demand Paris	45 1/2

BUYING.

4 m/s L/C	3/5
4 m/s D/P	3/5 1/2
6 m/s L/C	3/5 1/2
30 d/s Sydney and Melbourne	3/5 1/2
30 d/s San Francisco co & New York	77 1/2
4 m/s Marks	Nom.
4 m/s France	47 1/2
6 m/s France	47 1/2
Demand Germany	77 1/2
Demand New York	77 1/2
T/T Bombay	Nom.
Demand Bombay	Nom.
T/T Calcutta	Nom.
Demand Calcutta	Nom.
Demand Singapore	159 1/2
On Haiphong	Nom.
On Saigon	Nom.
On Bangkok	46 1/2
Sovereign	5.95 Nom.
Gold leaf per oz	42.20
Bar Silver, per oz	...

SUBSIDIARY COINS

Discount per \$100:	
H'kong 50 cts sub.	8 1/2 dis.
" 10 "	3 1/2 dis.
" 5 "	1 1/2 dis.
C. coins 6 1/2 %	dis.

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Tuesday, 15th & Thursday 17th April, at 9.15 p.m.

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NOTICE.

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TEA DANCE

TO-DAY

FRIDAY, April 11th

D. M. GOODALL,

Phone 437. Ma ager.

NATIONAL LOAN OF THE THIRD YEAR OF THE REPUBLIC (1914)

SECOND ANNUAL DRAWING OF BONDS.

NOTICE.—Subscribers to the above Loan are hereby notified that arrangements have now been made to proceed with the redemption of the Loan, and that the second drawing of bonds will take place on 15th May next. The date of payment with a list of the numbers of drawn bonds will be announced in a subsequent notification.

F. A. AGLEN,

Inspector General of Customs.

All persons, with the exception of those of Chinese race, desiring to leave the Colony should apply in person between the hours of 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily at the PASS OFFICE, POST OFFICE BUILDING.

Applicants will be required to produce Passports or identification papers.

All persons with certain exceptions who remain in the Colony for more than 7 days are required to register themselves under the REGISTRATION OF PERSONS ORDINANCE 1916.

Forms of Registration giving the particulars required may be obtained at the G. P. O. and at all Police Stations.

The Penalty for non-compliance is a fine not exceeding \$50.

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NIGHT CARS.

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NOTICE.

UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

Matriculation, Senior and Junior Local Examinations.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that these examinations will commence on MONDAY, July 14th, 1919.

Forms of entry and all particulars can be obtained on application to the Registrar, The University, Hongkong.

Each entry form, duly filled in, must reach the Registrar, together with the fee (Ten dollars, Hongkong Currency) on or before 7th May 1919.

The following Scholarships will be awarded on the results of the Matriculation Examination, provided that candidates of sufficient merit offer themselves:

(a) One King Edward VII Scholarship of £40 a year, for five years, tenable in any Faculty. A candidate for this scholarship must be under the age of 21 on July 1st and must before the first day of the examination, submit to the Registrar proof that he is a British subject.

(b) One President's Scholarship of five hundred dollars (Peking Currency) for five years, tenable in any Faculty. A candidate for this scholarship must be under the age of 21 years on July 1st and must before the first day of the examination, submit to the Registrar proof that he is the son of Chinese parents; that he was not born in any British Possession or Protectorate; that he has not adopted any foreign nationality; and that he is not eligible to compete for a King Edward VII Scholarship.

Candidates who secure a King Edward VII or President's Scholarship must enter the University on the day on which the University session opens and must reside in one of the hostels directly managed by the University.

The examinations will be conducted according to the Regulations for the Senior and Junior Local Examinations and for the Matriculation Examination 1919.

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NOTICE.

CANADIAN PACIFIC OCEAN SERVICES, LIMITED.

NOTICE.—Regarding notice of cancellation of accommodation booked for the Company's April and May sailings.

We are now informed that a certain amount of first class accommodation will be available on the Empress of Russia, to sail 1st May, while accommodation on the Empress of Asia, to sail 29th May, will be entirely available.

The sailing of the Empress of Japan, 14th May, is definitely cancelled as from this port.

Original holders of accommodation on the Empress of Russia, at May, will, if desired, be given passage on that date in order of original application, to the extent of accommodation available.

Original holders of accommodation on the Empress of Asia, 19th May, will, if desired, be given their original allotment.

The undersigned will be glad to receive advice from all concerned as promptly as possible.

P. D. SUTHERLAND,

General Agent, Passenger Dept.

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HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a SPECIAL EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held in the CHAMBER ROOM, CHARTERED BANK BUILDING, on TUESDAY, 15th instant at 4 p.m., to consider and if thought desirable, pass the following Resolution:—

"That it is the desire of the merchants of Hongkong that this Colony adopt the Daylight Saving System to the extent of one hour, from 1st May next until 30th September next, and that the Government be approached with a request to introduce the system by putting forward the clock one hour at 12 midnight on 30th April."

By Order,

E. A. M. WILLIAMS,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th April, 1919.

THE HONGKONG & SOUTH CHINA WAR SAVINGS ASSOCIATION.

APPLICATION forms for Membership of the above Association may be obtained from all the Banks or from the undersigned.

THE UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

Honorary Secretaries & Treasurers.

Hongkong, 15th January, 1919.

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SOUTH AMERICA: Rio de Janeiro, Santos, etc.

MEXICO: Mexico City, Vera Cruz, etc.

GUATEMALA: Guatemala City, etc.

EL SALVADOR: San Salvador, etc.

NICARAGUA: Managua, etc.

COSTA RICA: San Jose, etc.

PANAMA: Panama City, Colon, etc.

COLUMBIA: Bogota, Medellin, etc.

VENEZUELA: Caracas, Maracaibo, etc.

ECUADOR: Quito, Guayaquil, etc.

PERU: Lima, Arequipa, etc.

CHILE: Santiago, Valparaiso, etc.

ARGENTINA: Buenos Aires, Rosario, etc.

URUGUAY: Montevideo, etc.

BRAZIL: Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo, etc.

PARAGUAY: Asuncion, etc.

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